NOTICE OF VIOLATION

California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act

PCBs in Farmed Salmon January 13, 2004

This Notice of Violation is provided to you pursuant to and in compliance with California Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d).

- For general information regarding the California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act, see the attached summary provided by the California EPA (copies not provided to public enforcement agencies).
- This Notice of Violation is provided by the Center for Environmental Health and the Environmental Working Group. The Center for Environmental Health is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to protecting the environment, improving human health and supporting environmentally sound practices. The Environmental Working Group is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to improving public health and protecting the environment by reducing pollution in air, water and food.

Description of Violation:

- The names and addresses of the violators are attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
- The violations have been occurring since at least October 1, 1990 and are continuing to this day.
- This Notice of Violation covers the "warning provision" of Proposition 65, which
 is found at California Health and Safety Code Section 25249.6.
- The names of the listed chemicals involved in these violations are polychlorinated biphenyls ("PCBs"). Exposures to PCBs occur from consumption of the products identified in this notice.
- The category of products causing these violations is all farm-raised salmon other than those originating from salmon farms located in Chile or Washington State.
 The PCBs are contained in these products.
- Description of Violations: Use of the products identified in this notice results in human exposures to PCBs. The route of exposure for the violations is ingestion of the products. These exposures occur in homes, restaurants, and everywhere else throughout California where farm-raised salmon are consumed. No clear and reasonable warning is provided with these products regarding the carcinogenic or reproductive hazards of PCBs.

Please direct any inquiries regarding this notice to counsel for the Center for Environmental Health and the Environmental Working Group: Mark Todzo, Lexington Law Group, LLP, 1627 Irving Street, San Francisco, CA 94122, (415) 759-4111.

Exhibit 1

(January 13, 2004 60-Day Notice Letter By Center for Environmental Health and Environmental Working Group re: Farm-Raised Salmon)

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Blue River Seafood, Inc. 678 Third Street Oakland, CA 94607-3560

Lusamerica Foods, Inc. 1325 East Julian Street San Jose, CA 95116

Pacific Fresh Sea Food Company 16797 S.E. 130th Ave. Clackamas, OR 97015

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Bell Markets, Inc. 1100 W. Artesia Blvd. Compton, CA 90220

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Food 4 Less of California, Inc. 1014 Vine Street Cincinnati, OH 45202

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I declare that:

I am employed in San Francisco County, California. I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within cause; my business address is 1627 Irving Street, San Francisco, California 94122.

On January 13, 2004, I served true copies of the following documents:

NOTICE OF VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT:

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; and

THE SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (PROPOSITION 65): A SUMMARY (only sent to those on service list marked with an asterisks).

I placed a true copy of these papers in an envelope addressed to:

See Attached Service List.

I am readily familiar with my firm's practice for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the United States Postal Service, to wit, that correspondence will be deposited with the United States Postal Service this same day in the ordinary course of business. I placed the envelope containing the above-mentioned documents for collection and mailing on January 13, 2004, following the ordinary business practice.

On January 13, 2004, I also caused copies of the above-mentioned documents, along with supporting evidence for the Certificate of Merit as required by Proposition 65 regulations, to be delivered by hand to the following address:

Ed Weil, Deputy Attorney General California Attorney General's Office 1515 Clay Street Oakland, CA 94612

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on January 13, 2004, at San Francisco, California.

Signed:

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CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Health & Safety Code §25249.7(d)

- I, Mark Todzo, hereby declare:
- 1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day notice in which it is alleged that the parties identified in the notice have violated Health & Safety Code §25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.
- 2. I am an attorney with the Lexington Law Group, LLP, and I represent the noticing parties, the Center for Environmental Health and the Environmental Working Group.
- 3. I have consulted with one or more persons with relevant and appropriate experience or expertise who has reviewed facts, studies or other data regarding the exposures to the listed chemical that is the subject of the action.
- 4. Based on the information obtained through those consultations, and on all other information in my possession. I believe there is a reasonable and meritorious case for the private action. I understand that "reasonable and meritorious case for the private action" means that the information provides a credible basis that all elements of the plaintiff's case can be established and the information did not prove that the alleged violators will be able to establish any of the affirmative defenses set forth in the statute.
- 5. The copy of the Certificate of Merit served on the Attorney General attaches to it factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in Health & Safety Code §25249.7(h)(2), i.e. (1) the identity of the persons consulted

with and relied on by the certifier, and (2) the facts, studies or other data reviewed by those persons.

Dated: January 12, 2004